# PROJECT TITLE

#### OAKDALE EXPRESSWAY

2002 ITIP Funding Need: \$19.692 Million



**Project Location:** In Stanislaus County from

.16 Kilometers West of Valley Home Road to 4.5 Kilometers East of Lancaster Road.

Co/Rte/KP/PM: Stan/SR120/PM 2.8-14.3

**Project Description**: Construct two-lane

expressway on new alignment with right- of-way for four lanes.

**Project Scope**: Constrct a two-lane

expressway on new alignment. The new facility will have grade separated connections at each end and will include climbing lanes. The project will bypass the City of Oakdale.

**Existing Funding**: IIP: \$19,692

RIP: \$6,565

Other: \$75,849 (GFIIP)

**Future Funding Need: \$0** 

**Total Estimated Cost**: \$102,106

**Project Schedule**: PA&ED 10-02

PS&E to HQ 6-06 R/W Cert. 10-06 RTL 10-06

## PROJECT INFORMATION

## Purpose & Need for the Project:

Highway 120 is on the National Highway System (NHS) and is a gateway to recreational and tourist destinations in the Central Sierras, including Yosemite National Park. It is heavily used for recreational and interregional travel, particularly during the peak tourist season. The purpose of the proposed Oakdale Expressway is to reduce traffic congestion on SR-120, and SR-120 and SR-108 in dowtown Oakdale, improve safety on SR-120 in the Oakdale vicinity, and promote completion of the SR-120 system.

#### **Project Need:**

This is a now need project. Traffic congestion occurs on SR-120 in central Oakdale during weekday peak periods. The problem is particularly chronic at the SR-120/108 intersection in the center of the city. Substantial back-ups radiating from this intersection occurs daily with traffic spreading onto the surrounding local street system. The problem becomes acute during peak recreation periods on the SR-120 portion, particularly on holidays and weekends. During these periods traffic can be backed-up for two or more miles for extended periods, completely gridlocking the community.

## **Project Purpose:**

The project would relieve congestion due to interregional traffic on SR-120 during the peak travel season. It will substantially improve the quality of life for Oakdale residents. It will reduce the number of accidents on Highway 120 through central Oakdale. It also removes the most

extensive bottleneck on a 100+ mile extended section of SR-120, from east of Highway 99 to the Central Sierras.